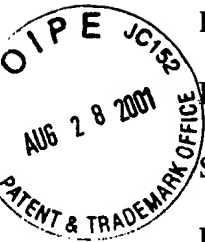


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In re application of

Edwin Southern

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of
February 28, 2001.

The fee of \$890.00 is

(X) submitted herewith.

() to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is
enclosed.

() Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37
CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which

() is enclosed.

() has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin Southern

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